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SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Commissioners:

Present: Salvatore Giametta, Katie Sullivan, Abby Silverman Weiss Sarah White, Alan Ziegaus

Absent: Susan Atkins, Ann Haddad

Staff: Deborah Barrow, Library Director; Misty Jones, Deputy Director, Central; Bruce Johnson, Deputy Director, Branches; Mark Nassar, Deputy Director, Engineering & Capital Projects; Elif Cetin, Senior Civil Engineer, Engineering & Capital Projects; Carol Tellez, Executive Assistant

Public: Punky and Anne Fristrom

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m. in the Commission Room of the Central Library.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 6, 2013 minutes were approved unanimously.

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE

None.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT:

It was requested that Deputy City Attorney Carrie Gleeson be asked to attend a future Library Commission meeting to provide clarification on the Brown Act.

REPORT FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Punky Fristrom

The 2012-2013 *John McAllister Memorial Scholarship Fund* winners are Library Clerks Robert Surratt and Brian Wickhem, who were each awarded \$500.

LIBRARY FOUNDATION UPDATE: Katie Sullivan

More than 2,500 bricks have been sold for the new Central Library “*Buy a Brick*” campaign!

The Foundation recently received a generous donation of \$100,000 from the San Diego Kiwanis Club and Foundation Key Club Room.

AGENDA ITEMS

8a. Report on Library Construction Projects by Elif Cetin, Senior Civil Engineer (Discussion Item):

- New Central Library: Ms. Barrow reported that construction is continuing on the Auditorium roofing and exterior wall.
- Skyline Hills Branch Library: Ten proposals from design/builders have been received. The proposals will be shortlisted to three and presented to the community for their input. The project is fully funded.
- Mission Hills/Hillcrest Branch Library: Approvals to renew consultant agreements are currently being routed.
- San Ysidro Branch Library: Potential sites for this library are being looked into.

b. Consideration of the Mayor’s Proposed FY 2014 Budget for the Library Department (Discussion Item):

Ms. Barrow gave an overview of the Library Department’s proposed budget for FY 2014. The Library’s proposed budget is scheduled to be heard at the Budget Review Committee meeting on Monday, May 6, between 2:00-5:00 pm.

The Commissioners discussed their recommendations on the Library’s Budget Priorities for FY 2014, which was part of a budget package that two commissioners would present to each council office at their upcoming meetings. The following motion was made:

Motion

It was moved to support the Commissioners meeting with each Council office and presenting their budget recommendations on the Library’s Budget Priorities for FY 2014.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

c. Update from the Library Director (Discussion Item):

- Ms. Barrow introduced Bruce Johnson as the new Deputy Director of the Branch Libraries Division.
- Deputy Director Misty Jones gave an update on the operational plans for the new Central Library. Some of the highlights are:
 - RFID – staff applied RFID (radio frequency identification) tags to the entire Central collection (approximately 900,000 items)
 - Seven (7) self check machines will be available for patrons to use
 - An automatic materials handling machine system is being installed
 - iPad kiosk (iPad attached to an iPad stand) – patrons can use this to communicate with library staff located at other service locations
- The launch of the San Diego Circuit Services (San Diego Consortium of Libraries Mutual Lending Services) is planned for May 15, 2013, after Council approval of the fines.
- On April 15, 2013, the Library launched its new brand and new logo. All staff members received a tee shirt and canvas bag with the new logo, compliments of the San Diego Public Library Foundation.
- The *One Book, One San Diego* book selection will be announced in May 2013.
- April is National Volunteer month. The City is hosting a volunteer recognition event on Monday, April 22, at the San Diego Concourse Plaza. Mayor Filner will recognize volunteers City-wide with a proclamation presentation.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Giametta adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deborah L. Barrow". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

DEBORAH L. BARROW
Library Director

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